We would like to nominate Matthew Grant fondly known as Mattie who works as a Cook Assistant for the Utah County jail. Mattie has been an employee of the County for 21 years. Prior to becoming an employee Mattie would come to work with his mother at the old jail on Ironton hill. Matt puts a smile on everyone's face when he walks into the room and his happiness is contagious. He never forgets a face; Matt remembers the inmates that he has worked with when he first started at the Sheriff's office. Matt has such a positive impact on the lives that he touches every day. Below are some comments made by fellow co-workers at the Sheriff's office —

- ~ Mattie always knows when I need comforting. He is concerned and cares about us all. He is a great employee and pushes the cart better than anyone.
- ~ Matt brings out the good in everyone, his power to make someone instantly smile is real and contagious.
- ~ Matt has been my angel for 14 years. He puts a smile on my face and peace in my heart. He remembers every deputy and inmate he has worked with for 21 years. Matt has mastered pushing trays, putting papers on carts, handing out work assignments and has helped do dishes. He is the best lunch greeter you will ever find.
- ~ Mattie's laughs when we tease each other every afternoon. It's amazing how much he teaches us to survive in a hostile and sometime chaotic environment.
- ~ Matt's positive attitude is infectious among all kitchen staff, deputies, and inmate workers. He always has a smile on his face and is ready to help wherever he can.

We thank Matt for his dedication and his 21 years as a community service provider. For these reasons and many unsaid reasons, we as department believe that Matthew Grant should be Employee of the Month. Thank you Mattie for setting an example. An example that will never be forgotten.

The Utah County Sheriff's Department
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